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SUBJECT: UNIVERSITY UNREST: REORGANIZATION OF NEW UNIVERSITY
OF LISBON (NUL) BEGINS

SUMMARY: GOP MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (MINED) HAS CALLED FOR AN INVESTIGATION OF ADMINISTRATION AND CURRICULUM OF NEW UNIVERSITY OF LISBON (NUL), ACCUSED OF BREEDING ELITE CLASS AND DEVOTING MAJOR EFFORTS TO RESEARCH AND POST-GRADUATE STUDIES. DENIGRATED FOR FOLLOWING UNIVERSITY REFORM MODEL ESTABLISHED BY FORMER EDUCATION MINISTER VEIGA SIMAO, RECENTLY DISMISSED AS GOP UNITED NATIONS REPRESENTATIVE, NUL IS BEING ATTACKED FOR NOT PURSUING PROGRAM OF EDUCATION FOR ALL THE PEOPLE. MANY EX-GRANTEES ON FACULTY INCLUDING RECTOR FRAUSTO DA SILVA HAVE BEEN FORCED OUT. END SUMMARY.

1. WHILE MINED AND STUDENT/EMPLOYEES COMMITTEE GIVE EACH OTHER CREDIT FOR RAISING QUESTION OF NUL'S ORIENTATION, MINED HAS STEADILY UNDERMINED NUL DENOUNCING IT FOR MISMANAGEMENT OF FUNDS, LOW ENROLLMENT (200 STUDENTS INSTEAD OF 8,500 ANNOUNCED AS TOTAL PLANNED CAPACITY) AND "REACTIONARY" FACULTY MEMBERS, SOME OF WHOM HAVE ALREADY BEEN DISMISSED.

2. CITING ITS OBLIGATION TO INVESTIGATE ALL COMPLAINTS MADE AGAINST NUL, MINED NOW ORGANIZING INVESTIGATIONS ON ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES OF FORMER IVP RECTOR FRAUSTO DA SILVA AND FY-73

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GRANTEE DR. ALFREDO DE SOUSA (ECONOMIST AND PPD DEPUTY), WHOSE

PRO-U.S. ORIENTATION IS NOT FAVORABLY REGARDED. DE SOUSA WAS ATTACKED FOR ALLOWING TWO OF HIS ASSISTANTS - MARIA AMELIA FREIRE AND MIGUEL PIZARRO BELOZA - TO STUDY IN U.S. ON JOINT GRANTS FROM INSTITUTO DE ALTA CULTURA (US\$6,400) AND FULBRIGHT COMMISSION (US\$1,000 EACH PLUS TRAVEL. RECTOR FRAUSTO, WHO SERVES ON FULBRIGHT COMMISSION, WAS OFFICIALLY RELIEVED OF HIS RESPONSIBILITIES ON JULY 3.

3. FOLLOWING EX-GRANTEES HAVE THUS FAR RESIGNED FROM NUL:

A. MARIA LOURDES BELCHIOR, EDITOR OF WEEKLY NOVA TERA (CATHOLIC CHURCH PAPER) RESIGNED FROM NUL ADMINISTRATIVE PLANNING COMMITTEE;

B. DR. JOSE PINTO PEIXOTO, SCIENCE DEPT., ANNUAL VISITING PROFESSOR AT MIT.

COMMENT: MINED'S INVESTIGATIONS OF NUL'S EFFECTIVENESS AND ORIENTATION APPEAR TO BE LEADING TO END OF EDUCATIONAL REFORM PATTERN MODELED AFTER U.S. SYSTEM AND PRO-U.S. TENDENCIES ON FACULTY. U.S. INPUT IN NUL HAS BEEN IN FORM OF FULBRIGHT GRANTS TO FACULTY MEMBERS NOW BEING FORCED OUT. SUBSTITUTION OF TOP-NOTCH, PROGRESSIVE NUL RECTOR WILL AFFECT ACTIVITY AND COMPOSITION OF FULBRIGHT COMMISSION, AND CHANGES IN NUL'S EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM WILL PROBABLY AFFECT GRANTS. NUL'S FUTURE LOOKS VERY BLEAK.
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